

Newsletter

SRVR Counselors Enrolled in SDSU Program

Salt River Vocational Rehabilitation (SRVR) Counselors, Paula Smith and Jennifer Curtis have been accepted into the Post **Employment Training-American Indian** Rehabilitation (PET-AIR) Program through San Diego State University. The program consists of full-time 12-month academic coursework addressing Rehabilitation Administration for Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation. The training content is intended to provide support and focus on current and relevant issues that impact service delivery to American Indians with disabilities. PET-AIR is also intended to serve as a career ladder for rehabilitation professionals. The program has provided continuing education opportunities for Tribal VR personnel for the past 14 years.

Paula and Jennifer were two of the eleven rehabilitation professionals selected to participate in this unique training opportunity, the final cycle of PET-AIR. This will provide Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and SRVR with the appropriate support and education to enhance service provision to individuals with disabilities that want to obtain or maintain employment. The program consists of distance learning, online coursework, class collaboration, and 3 separate one-week on-campus administrative trainings, commencing in May 2015.





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Salt River High School and SRVR Collaboration:

Providing Youth with Disabilities Necessary Transition Supports for Employment



SRVR and Salt River High School Exceptional Student Services have been working collaboratively to address the employment needs of youth with disabilities. This partnership is on the third year of implementation, and it takes place once per month at the high school, providing transition services to nearly 20 students at SRHS. Students actively participate in this training, which covers topics including: Cultural Accountability and Identity, Character Definition, Fiscal Responsibility, Work Readiness, Leadership, Communication, and College Exploration.

The goal of the program is to prepare the youth for employment (and life in general) after high school.



2015

Orientation Dates 10 AM in TWO WATERS "B105"

January 13	January 27
February 10	February 24
March 10	March 24
April 14	April 28
May 12	May 26
June 9	June 23
July 14	July 28
August 11	August 25
September 8	September 22
October 13	October 27
November 10	November 24
December 8	December 22

REMINDER...Eligibility Requirements:

- 1. Tribal Enrollment
- 2. Documented Disability
 - 3. Live within SRPMIC



Eligible Consumers	44
Active Employment	5
Employed 90 days (Rehabilitated)	2
Participated in Training	7
Participated in Work Experience within Community	2



This quarter, Memorial Hall been a work location for the SRVR consumer, Mr. Ronald Arthur. "Ronnie" has worked a 90 day work experience as a General Laborer/ Custodian for Memorial Hall. He has learned new skills and equipment to work with. It has been a pleasure to work with him. He is always on time and friendly to the community during services. He has learned new cleaning techniques, using the equipment of Memorial Hall (burnisher, extractor). In addition to general cleaning, hand tools, and helping with general grounds labor and assisting with set-ups and moving and hauling of supplies.



We at Memorial Hall appreciate all his efforts and we wish him the best in his future. He has learned valuable skills that would assist him in future employment, we look forward to working with SRVR in the future and to have excellent workers like Ronnie."

Debbie Antone, Memorial Hall